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Message: Per our telephone conversation of last week, enclosed please find a proposed claim amendment in connection with the above-referenced case.

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AND DETECTION METHODS

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Proposed claim amendments

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1. (Currently amended) A substantially pure polypeptide consisting of a sequence having at least 95% sequence identity to SEQ ID NO: 24 or SEQ ID NO: 25 a ~~sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 24, 25, 26, and 27, amino acids 255-322 of SEQ ID NO: 40, and amino acids 241-308 of SEQ ID NO: 42, wherein~~ said polypeptide is capable of inhibiting apoptosis of a mammalian cell when said polypeptide is expressed in said cell.

2. (Original) The polypeptide of claim 1, wherein said polypeptide has at least 95% sequence identity to SEQ ID NO: 24.

3. (Original) The polypeptide of claim 1, wherein said polypeptide has at least 95% sequence identity to SEQ ID NO: 25.

4. (Cancelled) The polypeptide of claim 1, wherein said polypeptide has at least 95% sequence identity to SEQ ID NO: 26.

5. (Cancelled) The polypeptide of claim 1, wherein said polypeptide has at least 95% sequence identity to SEQ ID NO: 27.

6. (Cancelled) The polypeptide of claim 1, wherein said polypeptide has at least 95% sequence identity to amino acids 255-322 of SEQ ID NO: 40.

7. (Cancelled) The polypeptide of claim 1, wherein said polypeptide has at

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least 95% sequence identity to amino acids 241-308 of SEQ ID NO: 42.

8. (Currently amended) A substantially pure polypeptide consisting of SEQ ID NO: 24 or SEQ ID NO: 25 ~~a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 24, 25, 26, and 27, amino acids 255-322 of SEQ ID NO: 40, and amino acids 241-308 of SEQ ID NO: 42~~, wherein said polypeptide is capable of inhibiting apoptosis of a mammalian cell when said polypeptide is expressed in said cell.

9. (Original) The polypeptide of claim 8, wherein said polypeptide has the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 24.

10. (Original) The polypeptide of claim 8, wherein said polypeptide has the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 25.

11. (Cancelled) The polypeptide of claim 8, wherein said polypeptide has the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 26.

12. (Cancelled) The polypeptide of claim 8, wherein said polypeptide has the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 27.

13. (Cancelled) The polypeptide of claim 8, wherein said polypeptide has the sequence of amino acids 255-322 of SEQ ID NO: 40.

14. (Cancelled) The polypeptide of claim 8, wherein said polypeptide has the

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sequence of amino acids 241-308 of SEQ ID NO: 42.

15. (Currently amended) A substantially pure polypeptide comprising SEQ ID NO: 24 or SEQ ID NO: 25 ~~a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs: 24, 25, 26, and 27, amino acids 255-322 of SEQ ID NO: 40, and amino acids 241-308 of SEQ ID NO: 42,~~ wherein said polypeptide is capable of inhibiting apoptosis of a mammalian cell when said polypeptide is expressed in said cell.

16. (Original) The polypeptide of claim 15, wherein said polypeptide comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 24.

17. (Original) The polypeptide of claim 15, wherein said polypeptide comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 25.

18. (Cancelled) The polypeptide of claim 15, wherein said polypeptide comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 26.

19. (Cancelled) The polypeptide of claim 15, wherein said polypeptide comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 27.

20. (Cancelled) The polypeptide of claim 15, wherein said polypeptide comprises the sequence of amino acids 255-322 of SEQ ID NO: 40.

21. (Cancelled) The polypeptide of claim 15, wherein said polypeptide comprises the sequence of amino acids 241-308 of SEQ ID NO: 42.

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